USAID/OFDA Proposal Guidelines Multi-purpose Cash Assistance PIRS

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SECTOR	Multipurpose Cash Assistance	
SUB-SECTOR	Multipurpose Cash	
Indicator: Total number of people assisted through multipurpose cash activities		
INDICATOR DESCRIPTION		
Definition(s): This indicator measures the number of people that have directly received multipurpose cash from a USAID/OFDA project. Cash may be transferred via bank direct deposit, mobile-phone transfer, money transfer vendor, physical currency, or other means.		
Numerator: N/A		
Denominator: N/A		
Unit of Measure: Number of individuals		
Disaggregated by: Sex; and age group (0-17; 18-49; 50+)		
Suggested Data Collection Method: Primary data collection - program records		
Suggested Data Source: Program staff		

SECTOR	Multipurpose Cash Assistance	
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Indicator: Percent of beneficiary households reporting adequate access to water, as defined by Sphere or national standards		
INDICATOR DESCRIPTION		
Definition(s):		

Access to water is defined by the Sphere Handbook, which includes standards for the quantity and quality of water supply (http://spherehandbook.org/en/water-supply/). Or, the country of response may have its own standards for acceptable water quality and quantity, which can be used instead. A household with both adequate quantity and quality of water per that standard can be said to have "adequate access to water". The enumerator may wish to specify to the beneficiary household what is meant by "adequate access to water," or may characterize it by questions such as "Does your household have enough safe water for drinking, cooking and washing?"

Numerator: Number of households reporting that they have adequate access to water in the survey period

Denominator: Total number of households receiving multipurpose cash (or, number of households surveyed, if a representative sample is used)

Unit of Measure: Percentage

Disaggregated by: N/A

Suggested Data Collection Method: Primary data collection: self-reporting from Multipurpose Cash beneficiaries, using a representative sample if appropriate. This indicator does not need to be measured after every cash distribution. It may be most appropriate to measure it at baseline (or shortly before the first cash distribution of cash) and at endline after the last distribution.

Suggested Data Source: Program/field staff; Sphere or national standards to inform survey design

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Indicator: Percent of beneficiary households reporting adequate access to essential WASH non-food items (NFIs), as defined by Sphere or national standards

INDICATOR DESCRIPTION

Definition(s):

The Sphere Handbook includes standards for hygiene promotion and WASH (water, sanitation, and hygiene promotion) non-food items (NFIs) (http://spherehandbook.org/en/hygiene-promotion/). The enumerator may wish to phrase this question by including examples from Sphere for essential hygiene NFIs, such as "Does your household have access to essential hygiene items such as soap, water containers, and feminine hygiene?" The enumerator should not ask individually

about each type of NFI. The WASH cluster may have further defined minimum hygiene NFIs in a given context. If so, use that threshold.

This indicator does not need to be measured after every cash distribution. It may be most appropriate to measure it at baseline (or shortly before the first cash distribution of cash) and at endline after the last distribution.

Numerator: Number of households reporting that they have adequate access to essential WASH NFIs in the survey period

Denominator: Total number of households receiving multipurpose cash (or, number of households surveyed, if a representative sample is used)

Unit of Measure: Percentage

Disaggregated by: N/A

Suggested Data Collection Method: Primary data collection: self-reporting from Multipurpose Cash beneficiaries, using a representative sample if appropriate. This indicator does not need to be measured after every cash distribution. It may be most appropriate to measure it at baseline (or shortly before the first cash distribution of cash) and at endline after the last distribution.

Suggested Data Source: Program/field staff; Sphere or national standards to inform survey design

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Indicator: Percent of beneficiary households whose shelter solutions meet agreed technical and performance standards

INDICATOR DESCRIPTION

Definition(s):

The Sphere Handbook includes standards for shelter and settlements (http://spherehandbook.org/en/1-shelter-and-settlement/) and adequate covered living space. Or, the country of response may have its own standards for shelter. The enumerator may wish to refer to language from Sphere, such as asking whether the covered living space is sufficient to provide thermal comfort, fresh air, protection from the elements, privacy, safety and health. The Shelter cluster may have further defined minimum shelter in a given context. If so, use that threshold.

Numerator: Number of households reporting they have access to adequate shelter solutions

Denominator: Total number of households receiving multipurpose cash (or, number of households surveyed, if a representative sample is used)

Unit of Measure: Percentage

Disaggregated by: N/A

Suggested Data Collection Method: Primary data collection: self-reporting from Multipurpose Cash beneficiaries, using a representative sample if appropriate. This indicator does not need to be measured after every cash distribution. It may be most appropriate to measure it at baseline (or shortly before the first cash distribution of cash) and at endline after the last distribution.

Suggested Data Source: Program/field staff; Sphere or national standards to inform survey design

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Indicator: Percent of beneficiary households reporting adequate access to non-food items

INDICATOR DESCRIPTION

Definition(s):

The Sphere Handbook includes standards for non-food items (NFIs) (http://spherehandbook.org/en/2-non-food-items-clothing-bedding-and-household-items/). Non-food items include things such as clothing, bedding, cooking and utensils, and fuel and lighting. The Shelter and NFI cluster may have further defined minimum NFIs in a given context. If so, use that threshold.

Numerator: Number of households reporting adequate access to non-food items

Denominator: Total number of households receiving multipurpose cash (or, number of households surveyed, if a representative sample is used)

Unit of Measure: Percentage

Disaggregated by: N/A

Suggested Data Collection Method: Primary data collection: self-reporting from Multipurpose Cash beneficiaries, using a representative sample if appropriate. The enumerator may wish to use examples from Sphere (see above) when asking the household about access to these items (since the term "non-food items" may not be a commonly used term). The enumerator should not ask individually about each type of NFI.

This indicator does not need to be measured after every cash distribution. It may be most appropriate to measure it at baseline (or shortly before the first cash distribution of cash) and at endline after the last distribution.

Suggested Data Source: Program/field staff; Sphere or national standards to inform survey design

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Indicator: Percent of beneficiary households with "acceptable" food consumption as measured by the Food Consumption Score

INDICATOR DESCRIPTION

Definition(s):

The Food Consumption Score (FCS)

(http://documents.wfp.org/stellent/groups/public/documents/manual_guide_proced/wfp1 97216.pdf) is a composite score that measures dietary diversity, food frequency, and relative nutritional importance of different food groups. It has a look-back period of seven days for the household and scores food consumption as *Poor, Borderline*, or *Acceptable*.

Numerator: Number of households who score in the "Acceptable" range on the FCS

Denominator: Total number of households receiving multipurpose cash (or, number of households surveyed, if a representative sample is used)

Unit of Measure: Percentage

Disaggregated by: N/A

Suggested Data Collection Method: Primary data collection: self-reporting from Multipurpose Cash beneficiaries, using a representative sample if appropriate.

Occasionally WFP adjusts FCS thresholds based on local consumption patterns; partners should verify FCS thresholds with the WFP country office as able.

This indicator does not need to be measured after every cash distribution. It may be most appropriate to measure it at baseline (or shortly before the first cash distribution of cash) and at endline after the last distribution.

Suggested Data Source: Program/field staff; Food Consumption Score tool